

Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks to Offer FREE Park Admission in Celebration of National Park Week and National Junior Ranger Day

Entrance fees to be waived April 17th through 25th, 2010

Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks will be celebrating National Park Week and National Junior Ranger Day by waiving park entrance fees and offering a variety of special activities.

This year, the National Park Service is joining forces with the White House initiative Let's Move! To help families get fit. With hundreds of trails ranging from easy meandering river strolls to tough alpine summits, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks are just the places to start or continue a commitment to family fitness.

Join a park ranger for a guided walk or bring the family out to Junior Ranger Day and get to know your parks for free!

National Park Week Events Calendar: Sequoia National Park

April 17, 2010

Marble Falls Hike, 10am: 4 hours/3.7 miles (one way), meet at the Potwisha Overflow Parking Area

Oak Woodlands Ramble, 11am: 1.5 hour/1.5 miles, meet at the Paradise Creek Trailhead (allow 20 minutes walk from the parking area at Hospital Rock Picnic Area)

River Walk, 3pm: 1.5 hours/1.5 miles, Meet at the Potwisha Overflow Parking Area

April 18, 2010

Beginning Birders Walk, 8am: 2 hours/1 mile, meet at the Marble Falls Trailhead

Oak Woodlands Ramble, 2pm: 1.5 hours/1.5 miles, meet at Potwisha Overflow Parking Area

April 24, 2010

National Junior Ranger Day, 10am to 2pm: FREE shuttle from Ash Mountain Administration Area

National Park staff and partners will host a variety of exploration stations that include: mule packing, journal writing, bear ecology and much more! Junior Rangers will get a behind-the-scenes glimpse at the work of a Park Ranger while earning their own National Junior Ranger Day patch.

April 25, 2010

Beginning Birders Walk, 8am: 2 hours/1 mile, meet at the Sequoia National Park sign

Oak Woodlands Ramble, 2pm: 1.5 hours/1.5 miles, meet at Potwisha Overflow Parking Area

Kings Canyon National Park

April 17, 18, 24, and 25, 2010

Grant Tree Walks 2pm: 1/2 mile/1 hour, meet at the Grant Tree Parking Area. Walks take place rain or shine (or snow)

April 17, 2010

Evening Program: Little Giants of the Forest, 7:30pm, Lobby of the John Muir Lodge.

April 24, 2010

Evening Program: Got Milk? Mammals of Kings Canyon, 7:30pm, Lobby of the John Muir Lodge

For more information about any of these programs, please call 1-559-565-3341 or visit us online at www.nps.gov/seki.

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